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SUBJ: SC MEETING ON ME: PROPOSAL TO RESUME IN GENEVA

REF STATE 123387, 124253, USUN 2372

1. FOLLOWING EMBASSY' S JUNE 26 APPROACH TO US DESK OFFICER, POL
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COUNSELOR CALLED JUNE 27 ON SSFA OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DIRECTOR TARIK AJANOVIC TO CONVEY " UNDER INSTRUCTIONS" US VIEW AS CONTAINED REFTELS AND INQUIRE WHERE YUGOSLAVS STAND ON QUESTION.

2. AJANOVIC SAID HE APPRECIATED HAVING US VIEW FIRST-HAND ON KENYA PROPOSAL, WHICH HE SAID HE HAD JUST LEARNED OF ON JUNE 26 FROM YUGOSLAV UN MISSION. HE SAID YUGOSLAV UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT REASON FOR REQUESTED VENUE CHANGE RELATED TO ECOSOC AND SEABEDS MEETING IN GENEVA. POL COUNSELOR REITERATED US BELIEF THAT THIS NOT A VALID REASON BECAUSE ONLY SMALL NUMBER OF PERMREPS WOULD ATTEND, AND THEY WOULD BE OUT-NUMBERED BY THOSE INCONVENIENCED BY SUCH A MOVE.

3. ADDRESSING QUESTION " ON PRINCIPLE," AJANOVIC SAID YUGOSLAVIA FEELS THAT HOLDING OF SC MEETINGS IN LOCATIONS OTHER THAN NEW YORK SHOULD NOT BE PRECLUDED WHEN THERE IS VALID REASON FOR DOING SO, BUT THAT HIS GOVERNMENT DOES NOT BELIEVE SUCH MOVES SHOULD BE MADE IN THE ABSENCE OF VALID REASON.

4. AJANOVIC SAID FOREIGN SECRETARIAT WOULD HAVE MATTER UNDER STUDY, AND EXPECTED THERE TO BE CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHER SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS (ADDING THAT WE WERE THE FIRST TO RAISE THE QUESTION IN BELGRADE). WHEN CONSULTATION PROCESS WAS FINISHED, YUGOSLAVS WOULD CONVEY THEIR POSITION TO OTHER SC MEMBERS IN NEW YORK VIA THEIR MISSION, AND HE WOULD INFORM EMBASSY HERE OF POSITION.

5. COMMENT. UK EMBASSY HERE MADE DEMARCHE ON VENUE QUESTION JUNE 25 AT FIRST SECRETARY LEVEL, SO AJANOVIC STATEMENT THAT WE WERE FIRST TO PRESENT VIEW SOMEWHAT LESS THAN FORTHCOMING. IN FINAL ANALYSIS BELIEVE YUGOSLAVS WILL GO ALONG WITH NON-ALIGNED AND ARAB FRIENDS ON THIS ISSUE. DEPT WILL RECALL THAT GOY SPOKESMAN GAVE US SIMILAR RESPONSE IN CASE OF PROPOSED PANAMA SC MEETING; GOY SUBSEQUENTLY GAVE PROPOSAL ACTIVE SUPPORT.
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